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# THE CHINA MAIL.

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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON: F. ALGER, II, Clement's Lane,  
Lombard Street, George Street, 30,  
Corhill, GORDON & GOTCH, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C.  
BATES HENDY & CO.,  
4 Old Jewry, E.C.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW  
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Mel-  
bourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO, and American Ports  
generally.—WHEAT & BAUER, San  
Francisco.

CHINA.—Searle, Davies & Co., Amoy;  
GILES & CO., Macao, Thompson &  
Co., Canton, etc.; T. M. MOR-  
RISON & CO., Ningpo; C. J. COOKE &  
CO., Foochow; W. H. BROWN & CO.,  
Shanghai.

## Arrivals.

Dec. 6, *Edith Banfield*, Brit. barque, 380,  
Mitchell, Newcastle, N.S.W., Oct. 26,  
608 tons Coal.—ARNHOLD KARBERG & CO.  
Dec. 7, *Latona*, Brit. barque, 286, Wil-  
liams, Newcastle, N.S.W., Oct. 10, 403  
tons Coal.—ARNHOLD KARBERG & CO.  
Dec. 7, *Red Deer*, Brit. ship, 604, Spence,  
London, June 27, General.—GILMAN & CO.

## Departures.

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6, *Kuang Tung*, for East Coast.  
6, *Patino*, for Manila.  
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6, *Kuk*, for Manila.  
6, *Madura*, for Ningpo.  
6, *Packet*, for Singapore.  
6, *Japan*, for Saigon.  
6, H. B. M. S. *Perseus*, for North.

## Shipping Reports.

The British barque *Edith Banfield*, from  
Newcastle, N.S.W., reports fine weather up  
to Formosa Channel; crossed the Equator  
on 10th Nov. in long. 100° 28' E.; from  
Formosa had strong N.E. monsoon till ar-  
rival in port. 42 days out.

The British barque *Latona*, from New-  
castle, N.S.W., reports fine weather and  
light winds; crossed the Equator on 6th Nov.  
in long. 106° 30' E.; thence had light  
variable winds until 17° N., then N.E.  
monsoon till arrival in Hongkong, on 7th  
Dec. 57 days out. On 18th Oct., spoke the  
N. G. schooner *Erom*, from Sydney  
bound to Foochow, 8 days out.

The British ship *Red Deer*, from London,  
reports fine weather; crossed the Equator on 31st July, in long. 23° 30' W.; passed the  
meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on 31st  
Aug., in lat. 39° S.; made St. Paul's Islands  
on 19th Sept., and coast of Sumatra on  
9th Oct.; passed Amper on 12th Oct., and came to Patanama passage on 19th Oct.  
Up China sea had fine weather, light  
air and calm; until last 14 days, then  
strong gales from N. W. to E. N. E. and  
heavy cross sea, which lasted for 3 days.  
During first gale was obliged to bend all  
best topsails and courses, Hongkong dist.  
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days out. Captain Forey died on 22d  
Oct. 1868.

## New Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.  
LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO. have  
received instructions to sell by  
Public Auction, on

### TUESDAY,

the 8th December, 1868, at 11 o'clock  
A.M., at the Godown No. 54 of Messrs  
MILCHERS & CO., Wanchi,—

(For account of the concerned.)

Ex "Martha."

530 bags SUGAR.

All more or less damaged by sea water.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery  
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.

Hongkong, December 7, 1868. del1

## SEALED TENDERS (in Duplicate)

*S*marked "Tenders for Bills" will  
be received at this Office until Noon on  
FRIDAY, the 11th inst., for Bills on  
the Lord's Commissioners of Her Majesty's  
Treasury, or on the Governor General of  
India in Council, Calcutta, both at 30 days'  
sight, in exchange for current Dollars of  
Hongkong at 7.17, or number one clear  
Mexican Dollars counted.

Bills on London will not be drawn for  
sums under £100,000, and on Calcutta under  
Rupees 10,000.

The accepted Tenders will be at once no-  
tified to the respective parties by letter, re-  
questing them to lodge the amount to the  
credit of the Commissariat Account at the  
Oriental Bank Corporation, where a re-  
ceipt will be given on production of which  
at this office the Bills will be issued.

In order to save time, it is requested that  
the sets of Bills required may be detailed in  
the margin of the Tender, and it is particu-  
larly requested that the Tenders may be in  
duplicate.

REEDMOND, UNIACKE,  
Bep. Commis. Gen.  
Controller's Office, Commissariat,  
Hongkong, December 5, 1868. del1

## STORAGE.

THE Undersigned are prepared to receive  
Pies GOODES on SHANGAI, in their

"First Class" Granite Godowns.

Hongkong, November 24, 1868. del1

L. P. WARD.

Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1868.

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Hongkong, December 7, 1868. de29

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,  
LIMITED.NOTICE is hereby given that a GEN-  
ERAL MEETING of the SHARE-  
HOLDERS of the HONGKONG HOTEL  
COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Com-  
pany's Hotel, Queen's Road, Hongkong,  
on TUESDAY, the 29th December, 1868,  
at half-past Two P.M., to receive the Re-  
port and Accounts and elect Directors for  
the ensuing year.At the conclusion of the above Meeting  
an Extraordinary Meeting will be held to  
consider the advisability of altering No. 33  
of the Articles of Association.By Order of the Board of Directors,  
C. LANGDON DAVIES,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 28, 1868. de29

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ALL Orders for Goods Supplied to or  
for work done for the Hotel must be  
signed by the Secretary of the Company.  
The Company will not undertake to pay for  
any Goods Supplied without such  
Order.By Order of the Board of Directors,  
C. LANGDON DAVIES,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 27, 1868. ff

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having PURCHASED  
the interest of the "WANCHI STEAM  
BAKERY," begs to notify the Public of Hong-  
kong and Ship Masters that he is prepared  
to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD  
in various forms, to any part of the Country.Also Ship BREAD of best quality and at  
low value constantly on hand or baked in  
quantities at short notice.Also Water, Butter, Soda and Sugar  
BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.Also Corn and Rice MEAL, HOMINY,  
CORN STARCH, BICARB. SODA, Sal-  
tates and Cream TARTAR.FLOUR of best brands constantly on  
hand supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or  
Pound.

CARBS of all kinds baked to order.

The above is under the Superintendence  
of Mr. JONATHAN PARSONS, and all orders  
forwarded to him at the Bakery, or left at  
Messrs MACLEWEN & CO.'s will receive  
prompt attention.

L. P. WARD.

Hongkong, February 17, 1868. de8

STORAGE.

THE Undersigned are prepared to receive  
Pieces GOODS on STOREAGE in their

"First Class" Granite Godown.

R. MCGREGOR &amp; CO.

Hongkong, November 24, 1868. de11

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## Notices of Firms.

**NOTICE.**  
M. C. EMIL BADE has been admitted a Partner in our Firm here and at Shanghai from the 1st October, 1868.  
EDWARD SCHELLHAAS & Co.  
Hongkong, December 5, 1868.

I HAVE this day authorized Mr. C. LANGDON DAVIES to sign my name per pro-curation to all orders for goods supplied to the Hongkong Hotel, and I alone am liable to pay for goods supplied upon such orders.

I have further authorized Mr. Davies to collect all debts due to me on Hotel account, for which his receipt will be a sufficient discharge.

LEE AFOONG,  
Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
WE have this day established a Branch of our Firm at HIGO and OSAKA.  
WAUCHELS GROOS & Co.  
Nagasaki, September 20, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
I HAVE this day established myself as a PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE ADJUSTER and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT, C. LANGDON DAVIES.  
Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM NEILSON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last.

MR. TOBIAS PIM, MR. WILLIAM NISBET CRANSTON and MR. H. SEMMOY GEARY are authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.

OLYPHANT & Co.  
Hongkong, October 6, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.

S. L. PHELPS,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, August 15, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. JOHN ALEXANDER SANDILANDS is authorized to sign our firm per pro-curation.

R. McGREGOR & Co.  
Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. HENRY LISTON DALRYMPLE is authorized to sign our Firm per pro-curation, at Foochow from this date.

BIRLEY & Co.  
Hongkong, June 3, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the Style and Firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.

GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.  
Saigon, December 20, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. RYCLE HOLME has been admitted a partner in our Firm.

GLOVER & Co.  
Nagasaki, January 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
WE have authorized Mr. CLADS BRIDGE to sign our Firm from this date.

DREYER & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

**For Sale.**

**FOR SALE.**  
THE Well-known Racing Pony ALARM, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, December 6, 1868.

**FOR SALE.**  
Ex Zephyr, from Sydney.  
Tons best screened Steam COAL.  
By LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, December 5, 1868.

**FOR SALE.**  
SHEET ZINC.  
Sheet LEAD.  
Galvanized RODS.  
Boiler PLATES.  
Brown Sheathing FELT.  
Yellow Metal Stern PLATES.  
BOLTS and NUTS.

RAY & Co.  
Hongkong, December 4, 1868.

**FOR SALE.**  
DUFF & GORDON'S PALE SHERRY, in 12 oz. cases.  
Bass ALE in qts.  
Bass ALE in pints.  
Guinness STOUT, in qts.  
do., do., in pints.  
Hennessey BRANDY.  
Kingsland L. L. WHISKY.

RAY & Co.  
Hongkong, December 4, 1868.

**SELLING OFF AT COST PRICES.**  
THE Undersigned, being about to close their business at this port, are now offering the whole of their "Impense Stock" at a LOW PRICE.

THOS. HUNT & Co.  
Hongkong, December 3, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
For Sale in the Store of the Undersigned.

Just landed,  
Ex STA. ANNA.—  
BEST SHERRY—Amontillado.  
Do. Pedro Jimenez.  
Do. Do. superior.

Muscadine Wine.  
Sherry, twenty years old.  
do., superfine.  
Jamaica Rum.  
Vinegar.

Superior Manila Coffee.  
The above Wines are all from Spain and in boxes of 12 Bottles each. All at moderate prices.

Apply to  
P. A. De SOUZA,  
Gage Street, No. 24.  
Hongkong, November 20, 1868.

**NOTICE.**

NOW Publishing, a series of Photographic Views of Hongkong, Canton and Macao, Characteristic Groups etc., etc., by the Undersigned; about 150 Photographs to select from.

In sets of 50 mounted, price, \$30.  
" 25 " " 20.  
" 50 unmounted, " 25.  
" 25 " " 15.

FLOYD & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, September 21, 1868.

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## Insurances.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL 2,000,000 DOLLARS,  
in 2,000 Shares of 1,000 Dollars each.

Consulting Committee:—  
GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.  
WM. KAYE, Esq.  
R. ROWELL, Esq.  
S. D. SASSEON, Esq.  
F. BUXLEY, Esq.  
General Manager, MESSRS JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO.

Head Office, No. 39, Queen's Road.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, WHICH EXPIRED BY EXPIRATION OF A few months, having proved a highly successful undertaking, it has been determined by a large number of its shareholders to form a permanent Company, under the same management and with increased Capital.

It is proposed to register the Company under the Limited Liability Ordinance, and the amount of the Capital having been fixed at Two Millions of Dollars, it is considered that Insurers will be amply secured thereby, while at the same time each shareholder will know the extent of his individual liability. The Capital proposed to be called up amounts to a large sum, and provision will be made for the creation of an ample Reserve Fund, which will be expected, in a very short time, accumulate to an amount practically to give the fullest security both to Insureds and Insureds, irrespective of the unpaid Capital.

It is intended to anticipate the termination of the Old Company, by dissolving it from and after the 31st December next, and measures are being taken for that purpose.

In anticipating a successful career for the New Company, it is only necessary to present to the public the results of the Old Company since its establishment in May 1863, as exhibited by the following figures:

The total premiums collected from the 11th May 1863 to the present time, a period of only two years and five months, amount to \$304,727.72

The losses which have been paid within the same period have amounted to \$130,081.22 and include the large sum of \$85,270 lost by the Fire at Hongkong in Nov. 1867.

The amount now at the Credit of the Working Account, after paying all Expenses and Re-insurances to date, exceeds \$160,000.00

These figures fully warrant the most sanguine expectations of success, and it is but reasonable to expect that, strengthened with larger Capital, the present undertaking cannot fail to prove at least as successful as the former one. The Old Company, when it entered the field, had to create a business for itself, but the New one, in taking over the outstanding risks and connections of the Old Company, will at once receive a very large amount of premium, and enter on a profitable and organised business. Moreover, there is no doubt that the risk of Fire in Hongkong has been greatly diminished by the Building Regulations now in force, and by the establishment of a Fire Brigade.

The following are the main features of the New Company:—

1. A first Call of \$100, to be paid upon each share on allotment, and a further Call of \$100 to be paid in Six Months; all further Calls to be determined upon General Meetings of the shareholders.

2. Interest at 12 per cent per annum to be in the first instance allowed on the paid up Capital, such Interest to be payable half-yearly, on 30th June, and 30th December.

The profits after deducting the said Interest to be applied thus:—20 per cent, for account of the concerned,

Ex "Zephyr," from Sydney.  
(Unless previously disposed of by Private Contract.)

About 500 tons best Steam COALS.

To be sold from sample taken from ship's hold.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, the remaining half upon delivery of Coals. Delivery to be taken from ship's side in Hongkong harbour.

The number of lay days to be specified at the time of sale. Cash in Mexican dollars at 7.1.7.

Also, For account of the concerned,

27 cases Vivian's Yellow Metal, 22 oz. to 28 oz.

241 pieces Vivian's Yellow Rods, 5/8 to 1 inch.

120 pieces Muntz's Yellow Rods, 11/16 to 1/2 inch.

4 casks 1/2 composition Nails.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

Hongkong, December 7, 1868.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Mortgagor to sell by Public Auction, to

FRIDAY,

the 18th day of December, 1868, at Noon, on the premises, under the power of sale contained in the Deed of Mort-gage.

The Ground, Messuages and Premises situate at Bonham Strand, known as Marine Lot No. 4 C. The lot contains Two Houses facing the Bonham Strand, covering ground measuring on the North about 32 feet, South about 28 feet, East about 74 feet, and West about 87 feet.

For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, the balance on completion of the deeds of transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser.

Property to be at the risk of the Purchaser from the fall of the hammer.

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A.M. on the 16th forwarded unless the postage is pre-paid, will be open to the writers as early as instant, if posted after the mail is closed, to be placed on the corner of the cover in cases where they are not paid, will be addressed to the Proprietor and in no case to individuals by name. Much delay and inconvenience in the transaction of business will thereby be avoided.

## TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Our columns are open to all who wish to address the public on legitimate grounds, but we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.

All communications addressed to this paper must be accompanied by the name of the sender, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DEC. 7, 1868.

## A WORD WITH SOME PORTUGUESE PAPERS.

The Portuguese in general, and those resident in Macao and Hongkong in particular, must be under great obligations to the weekly publication which under the title of *O Independente* aspires to represent the public opinion of its countrymen.

We do not in the least object to its utterances, albeit somewhat remarkable for their tenor as regards ourselves, nor

should we notice them, did they not keep alive the discussion of a question which at this moment is of some interest to the Government of Portugal, the Colonial Government of Hongkong, humanity at large, and Chinese Coolies individually.

Our own interests, though doubtless an inducement to again refer to it, can scarcely be deemed the sole motive, as our

comments were commenced long before any personal feelings whatever were

brought into play. With this exordium we propose to take note of some of the recent utterances of the *Independente*.

In the way of letting its readers know that

under the authority of the Warrant dated

the 1st, or First-Class Army will, in future,

be entitled to them on

ours as are at present

Soldiers in the Schools, Messengers will

be entitled to the same

to their Letters, are

missioned Officers and

W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General.

1868.

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TO LET.  
THE Corner HOU-E, No. 22 A, in Gage Street, containing six Rooms with Comprado's Room and Godowns attached. Water and Gas laid on.

For particulars, apply to  
H. PESTONJEE SETNA,  
At Messrs P. & A. C. CAMAJEE  
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Queen's Road,

Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

TO LET.  
TWO desirable Residences, No. 2 and 3, West Terrace, Cause Road, centrally situated and commanding a fine view.

For terms, apply to  
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,  
53, Wyndham Street,

Hongkong, November 30, 1868.

TO LET.  
With Immediate Possession,  
TWO Two-Storied Granite GODOWNS at Wanchi, adjoining the Timber Yard of the Union Dock Company.

Apply to  
LANDSTEIN & Co.,  
Hongkong, November 23, 1868.

TO LET.  
WITH immediate possession, the House and Office, No. 4, Gough Street, lately occupied by Messrs A. WILKINSON & Co.

Apply to  
ARNHOLD KARBERG & Co.,  
Hongkong, October 5, 1868.

TO LET.  
A CONVENIENTLY situated HOUSE in Chancery Lane. Rent moderate.

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THREE Houses on Pedder Hill, each containing Four Rooms, with out-houses attached. Water and Gas laid.

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THREE Spacious GODOWNS suitable for storing dry Goods; also a Fireproof GODOWN capable of containing 1,000 cwt. of Opium. Situated in the most central part of Queen's Road. Apply to  
J. F. ROSE, Secretary,  
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited,  
Hongkong, August 12, 1868.

TWO HOUSES TO BE LET  
RECENTLY put in thorough Repair, situated on the RISE of the Hill, Westward, and an easy distance from the Queen's Road. Apply to  
M. BARRINGTON,  
Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, May 13, 1868.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.  
THE Undersigned will undertake to land

Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise, in their own Boats, and to receive the same on STORAGE in First-class Granite godowns, on Moderate Terms.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.

Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

TO LET.  
THE OFFICE and GODOWN situated at the corner of Wellington and Aberdeen Streets, and at present in the occupation of Messrs ELMENHORST & SANDERS.

For particulars, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

TO LET.  
4 COMMODIOUS HOUSES, situated in Morrison Hill, containing a thorough view of the Harbour, with Stables, &c.

Apply to  
THOMAS WALLACE,  
East Point Godown,

Hongkong, June 6, 1868.

NOTICE:

TO LET.  
THE desirable PREMISES on the Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of the Asiatic Bank.

For particulars, apply to  
SMITH, ARCHER & Co.,  
Hongkong, May 18, 1868.

TO LET.  
THE BUSINESS PREMISES, formerly occupied by Messrs ANDREW, KANGEROO & Co., consisting of Dwelling House, Offices, and spacious Godowns from the shortest notice.

Apply at  
Hollywood Road, Corner of Aberdeen St.

Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

NOTICE:

TO LET.  
THE STEAM TUG ISLAND QUEEN, 130 H. P. Nominal, will commence to ply on the River Min and adjacent waters early in the spring, and will then be available to both ships at the anchorage, and to tonnage, and from sea-at-usual rates.

For further information, apply to Messrs E. H. HOW & CO., Foochow, or to the Undersigned.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

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TO LET.  
MONUMENTS and HEAD-STONES

M ERECTED, in the Best Style.

LEAD and METALLIC COFFINS, on the Shortest Notice.

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Apply to  
JOHN BURD & Co.,  
Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

TO LET.  
TWO New and Strong GODOWNS on Marine Lot No. 63.

Apply to  
GAVIN THOMPSON,  
At GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s  
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

TO LET.  
A HOUSE in Spring Gardens, containing four Rooms and Out Houses; Rent \$28 per month.

Apply at the Victoria Foundry,  
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## Post-Office Notifications.

It is hereby notified for general information that henceforward the Postage chargeable on Book and Packets of Patterns addressed to the United States of America transmitted via the United Kingdom will be as follows, viz.—

Via SOUTHAMPTON.

Under 4 oz.,— 12 cents.

Above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.,— 24 "

Above 8 oz. and not exceeding 12 oz.,— 36 "

Above 12 oz. and not exceeding 16 oz.,— 48 "

For every additional 4 oz.,— 12 "

Via MARSEILLE.

Under 4 oz.,— 16 cents.

Above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.,— 32 "

Above 8 oz. and not exceeding 12 oz.,— 48 "

Above 12 oz. and not exceeding 16 oz.,— 64 "

For every additional 4 oz.,— 16 "

Prepayment of the Postage is compulsory in each case.

F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,  
Hongkong, June 18, 1868.

1. It is hereby notified for general information that the Contract between the Government of Mauritius and the Union Steamship Company, for the Conveyance of Mail once a Month between Ceylon and Mauritius, and between Mauritius and Natal, having terminated, the correspondence for Mauritius will be forwarded from this Office in the Mail for Aden, from whence it will be sent to its destination by the French Mail Packets leaving Aden for Reunion and Mauritius on the 23rd of each Month.

2. No alteration has been made in the rates of Postage on correspondence addressed to Mauritius.

3. As the communication with Natal and the Cape of Good Hope is thus cut off, the correspondence for those Colonies, unless marked to be forwarded by Private Ship, will, in future, be sent in the Mails for London at the following rates of Postage, which must be paid in advance, viz.—

Upon Letters sent by way of  
of Southampton, ... 46 cents each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz.  
When sent by way of  
Marseilles, ... 54 "

Newspaper via Southampton, ... 4 "

Newspaper via Marseilles, ... 6 "

Book Packets via Southampton, ... 10 ", under 4 oz., 20 cents; above 4 oz. and not exceeding 6 oz.; and 20 cents for every additional 6 oz.

Book Packets via Marseilles, 14 cents under 4 oz.; 28 cents above for and not exceeding 8 oz.; and 28 cents for every additional 8 oz.

F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.  
General Post Office, Hongkong,  
September 9, 1868.

1.—On the 1st October next, and thenceforward Money Orders will be issued at this Office and at the Agencies thereof at Shanghai and Yokohama on all the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for amounts not exceeding £10, at the rate of Exchange Current for Each Mail, and charged with Commission, according to the following Scale, viz.—

For sums not exceeding £2, ... 12  
Above £2 and not exceeding £5, ... 24  
" 25 " ... 24  
" 27 " ... 24 12

2.—No Money Order to include a fractional part of a Penny.

3.—Orders drawn in the United Kingdom upon Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama, will be paid at the rate of Exchange at which Money Orders are being issued at the time of their presentation.

4.—Alphabetical Lists of over 3,700 Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom, shewing the Counties in which they are situated, are hung up for public reference at this Office, and also at Shanghai and Yokohama.

5.—Applicants for Money Orders must furnish, in full, the surname, and, at least, the initial of one Christian name, both of the Remitter and the Payee; if the Remitter or Payee be a Peer or a Bishop, his ordinary title will be sufficient; if a firm, the usual designation of such firm, such as "Baring Brothers" will suffice; but the mere term "Masters," such as "Messrs. Rivington," or the name of a Company trading under a title which does not consist of the names of the persons composing it, such as "Carron Co." is inadmissible.

6.—The Remitter on stating that the Order is to be paid only through a Bank, to have the option of giving or withdrawing the name of the Payee; in such case, the Order will be crossed in the same way that Cheques are commonly crossed when they are intended to be paid through a Bank.

7.—When an Order is presented through a Bank, a receipt by any person will be sufficient, provided the Order be crossed with the name of the receiving Bank, and be presented by some Person known to be in the employ of such Bank.

8.—The signature of the Payee of a Money Order to be affixed to the Order in the place provided for the purpose. If the Payee be unable to write he must sign the receipt by making his mark in the presence of a Witness, who must sign his name, with his address in the presence of the Officer who pays the Order.

9.—Should the Payee of a Money Order desire to receive payment at the Office in which the Order was issued, at some other Office than that in which the Order was originally drawn, the transfer will be granted, provided the Order be "crossed" to the Postmaster of the Office in which it was drawn. In such case a new Order will be issued, the Commission chargeable upon which will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

10.—In the event of a Money Order miscarrying or being lost, a duplicate will be granted on a written application from the Payee, containing the necessary particulars, and accompanied by an additional Commission to the Office where the Original Order was payable.

11.—On the receipt of a similar application, orders will be given to stop payment

## Post-Office Notifications.

of a Money Order, or to renew a Lapsed Order. The additional Commission in the last case will be deducted from the amount of the new Order. Lapsed Orders must be presented with the application for a new Order.

12.—But when it is desired that any error in the name of the Remitter or Payee should be corrected or that the amount of a Money Order should be repaid to the Remitter, or that a Lapsed Order should be renewed for payment in the Country in which the Order was originally drawn, application must be made to the Chief Money Order Office of such Country. This application must be accompanied by an additional Commission, unless it have reference to a Lapsed Order, in which case the Commission will be deducted from the amount of the New Order.

13.—Repayment whether of an original, or renewed, or a duplicate Order, will not be made to the remitter until it has been ascertained that the advice has been cancelled at the Office on which the Order was originally drawn.

14.—Payment of an Order must be obtained before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn; for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission, to be deducted from the amount of the Order, will be charged) will become necessary.

15.—If an Order be not paid before the end of the Twelfth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn,—for instance, if drawn in January and not paid before the end of the following January—all claim to the money will be forfeited, unless, under peculiar circumstances, the Post Office of the Country in which the Order was drawn think proper to allow it.

16.—After once paying a Money Order by whomsoever presented, the paying Office by whomsoever presented, the paying Office will not be liable to any further claim. If a wrong payment, however, be made owing to negligence on the part of any Officer of the Post Office, the Postmaster General of the Country or Colony in which the negligence occurs will, if he see fit, require the Officer in fault to make good the loss.

17.—No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

18.—Additional Rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

19.—Should it appear that Money Orders are used by mercantile men, or others, either in the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British or Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will consider the propriety of increasing the Commission, and will exercise the power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command,

F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong,  
September 9, 1868.

## BOOKS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take

Notice that the Eight call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above named Company is due on the 1st March next and will be payable at the office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGAI BANKING CORPORATION, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
GEORGE N. MINTO,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

JOHN C. SKYEY,  
Manager.

Padoga Anchorage, River Min.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPoa, LIMITED.

THE Company respectfully call the attention of Ship Owners, Consignees and Masters of Vessels, to their Establishment at Hongkong and Whampoa, for the DOCKING and REPAIRING of Vessels of all classes.

At Hongkong the Company have the only Dock in the harbour—a Granite Dock, solidly built, and of dimensions to admit Ships of 350 feet in length, and drawing 22 feet of water.

Attached to it there are Shipwrights, Blacksmiths, Boiler-makers and Machinery works, and everything necessary for the Repairing of Sailing Vessels or Steamers.

The Company have also opened a Shipyard by the side of the Hongkong Dock, and are ready to contract for the construction of Steamers or Sailing Vessels of any size.

At Whampoa the Company have four Docks, in which they will take Ships at reduced rates.

The Steam Tug "LITTLE ORPHAN"

can be engaged to tow Vessels to sea, or berth them, at reasonable rates.

For particulars apply to

JOHN INGLIS,  
Acting Secretary.

Or to

A. D. MITCHELL,  
Manager of Works.

Company's Office, H. Kong Hotel Building,

Hongkong, October 10, 1868.

## INSURANCES.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LONDON.

Incorporated 1859.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks in the usual terms.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1838.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

Managing Agents in China—Messrs.

AGUSTINE HEARD & CO., Hongkong.

Medical Referee—J. IVOR MURKIN,

Esq., M.R.C.S.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AGUSTINE HEARD & CO.,  
Hongkong, June 6, 1867.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

DETACHED and semi-detached

Dwelling-Houses removed

from Town, and their Con-

tents, per cent.

Other Dwelling-Houses used

strictly as such, and their

Contents, per cent.

Gardens, Offices, Shops, &c.

and their Contents, per cent.

GILMAN & CO.,  
Agents North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

Hongkong, March 9, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following

Rates will be charged in Short Period

Insurance, viz.—

Not exceeding one month,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the annual rate.

Above 1 month, and not exceeding three months,  $\frac{1}{2}$  "

Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months,  $\frac{1}{2}$  "

Above 6 months, the full Annual Rate.

GILMAN & CO.,  
Agents North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000

ACCUMULATED FUNDS £2,233,927.

ANNUAL REVENUE £497,263.

THE Undersigned Agents at Hongkong for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same.

GILMAN & CO.,  
Hongkong, June 21, 1864.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at

Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant

Insurance at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

PHENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

LIVERPOOL, AND LONDON & GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Companies at this Port, to prepare to grant Policies against

Fire to the extent of £40,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIRIE & CO.,  
Hongkong, September 28, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Corporation are

prepared to grant Fire and Marine Insur

## Miscellaneous.

THE  
CHINESE COMMERCIAL  
GUIDE.

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